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Boot camp for Melendez draws ire

> *We argued at his sentencing that he should serve far more than what he was given, and this decision adds insult to injury - literally.*

Former Inkster Police Ofc. William Melendez could complete his 13-month to 10-year prison sentence as early as July as part of an alternative sentencing program or boot camp. Melendez' move to the program prompted criticism from Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Vonda Evans and outrage from Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

Melendez, 47, was convicted of brutally beating a 53-year-old Detroit man during a traffic stop, an incident that made national news when patrol car videotapes of the incident were made public. Evans sentenced him in February after his jury conviction on charges of assault with intent to do great bodily harm and misconduct in office. He was immediately remanded to the Michigan Department of Corrections to begin his prison term at Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility.

Last week, prosecutors filed court documents objecting to Melendez serving his time in the para-military type prison boot camp in Chelsea. They wrote in the filing that Melendez' completion of the program, "will result in the defendant being paroled well before he has served his minimum sentence."

The boot camp program usually takes 90 days for prisoners to complete but can go for up to 120 days, according to the Michigan Department of Corrections. "Upon successful completion of the program the prisoner will be paroled or placed on probation, if deemed appropriate." Melendez could be paroled or placed on probation after serving only six months of his sentence as part of the boot camp program.

Melendez reportedly entered the boot camp program and was there for about two weeks last month.

Evans amended her original sentence April 4 including an objection to Melendez' transfer to the boot camp program.

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Heavy weight

National champion hopes to inspire healthy living

It's never too late.

Proof of that adage seems to be personified by Ray Fougnier, who took up weightlifting in his 70s, following his retirement from his teaching career and as the head of the American Indian program at Cornell University.

Fougnier, now 73, brought four world records back home to Plymouth last week and was selected as the best lifter from all competitors in the Amateur Athletic Union 2016 North American Championships which took place in Laughlin, NV.

Fougnier now splits his time between Plymouth and another home in Tennessee. His sponsor in the weight competitions is the Oneida Indian Nation where he grew up on the Indian homelands in central New York before pursuing his education.

Fougnier said he hopes his powerlifting success will help inspire Native Americans of all ages to embrace exercise and healthy living. He won the men's 70-74 age division while setting new world records for the class in the squat, bench press, deadlift and total overall score categories.

His selection as the best lifter in the entire event qualifies him for the World Powerlifting Championships planned for September in Las Vegas. That will be Fougnier's third international championship event and he also holds state lifting records in both Tennessee and Michigan.

Ray Fougnier, 73, shows judges his ability in the squat lift during competition last month in Las Vegas. Fougnier set a new world record in the event.

Ray Fougnier, a Native American, started lifting in his early 70s. He also set a world record in the dead lift event during the competition last month.

Texting to 911 service is now available in area

A new program sponsored by the Conference of Western Wayne will now allow local residents to text messages to the emergency 911 number.

Westland Mayor Bill Wild, chair of the Conference of Western Wayne said the availability of text-to-911 emergency services was now active. The new feature is part of the Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) "Call if you can, text if you can't" public safety program.

The announcement of the new service was made during a press conference last week attended by law enforcement representatives from the affected communities and

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Canton officials will take 5 percent pay cuts

Elected officials in Canton Township have voluntarily reduced their own salaries beginning Jan. 1, 2017.

Following a review by Clerk Terry Bennett and Trustees John Anthony and Tom Yack, the seven member board voted unanimously to cut their pay by 5 percent in an effort to keep them compatible with surrounding communities.

Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said the cuts make Canton "competitive" and said the new salaries are "fair amounts of money." He added that officials in Canton took a pay cut in 2008 and that salaries have gradually increased since then to the current levels. LaJoy suggested the three-member review panel in an effort to ensure that the township salaries were in line with other communities and respectful of the pay cuts that employees in the township have taken. The vote on the salary adjustments was adopted before the filing deadline next month for candidates for offices. LaJoy and Bennett have both announced that they will not seek re-election.

Anthony said the new wage scale was fair and noted that the township employees had "stepped up and took wage and benefit cuts. It's only fair that we match the way they handled their contracts. It's fair all around," he said.

Following the recommendation of the panel, the township supervisor will make $116,295, a decrease of $6,121; the township clerk and treasurer will make $99,586, a reduction of $5.241 and the four part-time trustees will make $12,094, a drop of $637 annually. The pay cuts will decrease the township payroll by $19,788 annually.

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Delreesa Lyons, a student at the Belleville campus of Wayne County Community College, was recently honored by the Henry Ford Health System in Wyandotte.

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The Canton Police Department will join law enforcement units from across the county in the national effort to remove prescription drugs from homes on April 30.

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Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards has a big job ahead of him as he attempts to raise $42,500 for the annual township fireworks display and VIP party.

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Romulus Middle School students showed off their spirit at the Family Career and Community Leaders of America State Leadership Conference last month.

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Six local churches will participate in the Wayne Westland Crop Walk planned for May 1 organized this year by Wayne First Congregational Church.

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THE WESTLAND EAGLE

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Westland Mayor William R. Wild has been chosen as a Taubman Fellow for 2016 and will study solutions to public-sector problems at Harvard University.

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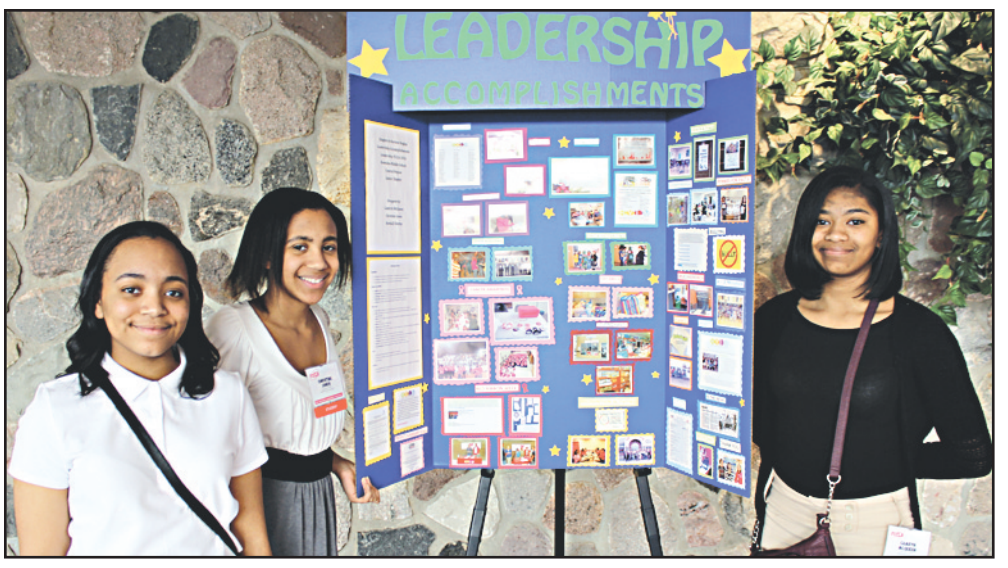
Inkster - Romulus



Leadership students Kendall Dorsey, Christine Jones and Camryn McQueen display their project.

Students show off 'spirit'

There can be no doubt that Romulus Middle School students have spirit. They proved that last month at the Family Career and Community Leaders of America State Leadership Conference where they were recognized for being the most spirited group throughout the three-day conference.

The students, all members of the Romulus Youth Leadership Movement, also participated in competitive star events by presenting community service projects. Of the five groups presenting their work, three groups earned gold honors and qualified to represent Michigan at the National Leadership Conference in San Diego later this summer, while the other two groups earned silver awards.

"I felt comfortable going in front of the panel of judges, our preparation made it easy to speak to them" said eighth-grade leadership student Bianca Waters. The conference is designed to prepare students for the business world by having them wear formal attire and communicate effectively. Students were also required to attend enrichment workshops on various topics such as managing stress and college preparation.

Once students finished participating in competitive events and workshops, they had free time to meet and socialize with other Michigan FCCLA members. "The dinner banquet had great food and the dance allowed us to have fun with our friends," said Waters. The Valley Plaza Resort in Midland where the conference is housed also has a bowling alley and miniature golf onsite.

The Romulus Youth Leadership Movement program is funded by the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority. More information about the program is available at www.rylm.weebly.com.

Romulus Middle School Leadership Group members attended the conference.

Sentence

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"The court is modifying the order and objecting to boot camp at this time. The Court will reconsider at a later date," her amended order stated. Prison officials removed Melendez from the program at that time and returned him to the Bellamy facility.

Prison officials have stated that approval from the sentencing judge is required for eligibility into the boot camp or Special Alternative Incarceration Program.

Melendez' defense attorney James Thomas appealed Evans' amended ruling on April 8, and his emergency motion to vacate the modified sentence order issued by the judge was granted by the Michigan Court of Appeals on April 14, making Melendez eligible for the program.

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy was outraged by the decision.

"It is unconscionable to me that the Michigan Department of Corrections would irresponsibly and recklessly decide that former police officer Melendez who was convicted of Assault with the Intent to do Great Bodily Harm for the police beating of Floyd Dent should be placed in its boot camp program. This is outrageous. "We argued at his sentencing that he should serve far more than what he was given, and this decision adds insult to injury - literally. The fact that he is even eligible for boot camp speaks to the need for an immediate change the eligibility standards," Worthy said in a prepared statement.

Melendez was convicted by a jury who viewed patrol car videotape which showed the officer punch Dent with his closed fist 16 times while holding him on the ground in a chokehold-like position in January of 2015.

Melendez was immediately fired by the City of Inkster and two other officers suspended and a third disciplined when the videotapes were released to the media by Dent's attorney.

Dent was hospitalized for his injuries and reached a $1.37 million settlement with the City of Inkster last year. All criminal charges against Dent stemming from the incident were dropped as judges and prosecutors viewed the patrol car videotapes of the beating.

Mother injured in shooting

A 39-year-old Inkster mother remains hospitalized following surgery for injuries she received in a random shooting at her car.

The woman's four children ages 5 through 17 were also in the car when several bullets struck her silver minivan. None of the children were injured in the incident, police said.

The incident began when a Dearborn Heights Police Department officer reported to Michigan State Police that he observed the minivan driving northbound by the victim disregard a stop sign at Princeton and Beech Daly Road at about 10:44 p.m. April 13.

Officers made a traffic stop and discovered that the woman had been shot one time in the left buttocks area. Several bullet holes were observed on the exterior of the driver's side rear door.

The victim told officers that she and her children were returning home from a local restaurant she observed three men standing near the intersection of John Daly and Bayham. The three black males were observed standing on the north side of the street on Princeton, police reports stated. According to the victim, when she drove by the men, she heard what she thought were rocks being thrown at her vehicle. She told police that she eventually realized that the men were shooting at her minivan and she realized that she had been shot in the left buttock.

The victim was transported by ambulance to Beaumont Oakwood Main in Dearborn where she was listed in stable condition while awaiting surgery. No arrests were made and all three male suspects are described as wearing hooded sweatshirts.

Investigators were told by the victim that she believes the incident was a random act, and that neither she nor her children were being targeted.

Detectives are asking for information from anyone who may have information to contact Michigan State Police at (855) 642-4847 or Crime Stoppers at 800-773-2576.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
PUBLIC NOTICE

To all residents and other interested parties: Agendas and Minutes for the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees Meetings are available for review online at www.plymouthtwp.org under Agendas/Minutes and in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI.

Regular Meeting dates in 2016: April 26, May 17, June 14, July 19, August 9, September 13, September 27, October 11, October 25, November 15 and December 13.
Special meetings, if any, will occur on Tuesdays, unless otherwise posted. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Board of Trustees Meetings.

Nancy Conzelman
Township Clerk

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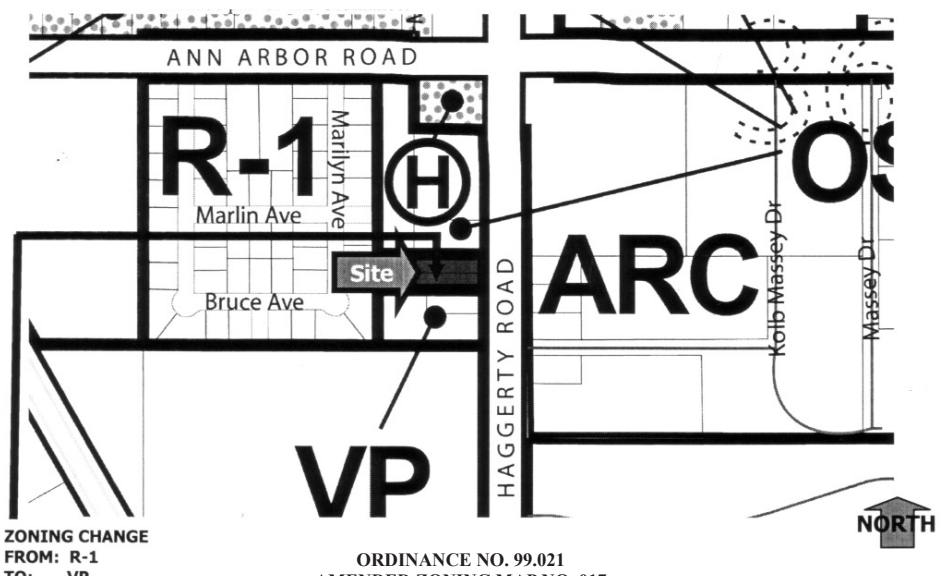
NOTICE OF ADOPTION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
ORDINANCE NO. 99.021

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Charter Township of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance No. 99 is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map in accordance with the changes indicated on Amended Zoning Map No. 017, attached hereto and made part of this Ordinance.



ZONING CHANGE
FROM: R-1
TO: VP

ORDINANCE NO. 99.021
AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 017
Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel/lot descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R-78-065-99-0002-000; R-78-065-99-0001-701.

Part II. CONFLICTING REVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on May 12, 2016.

Part IV. ADOPTION. This Ordinance was adopted by the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees by authority of Act 110 of Public Acts of Michigan, 2006, as amended, at a meeting duly called and held on April 12, 2016, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law. The Ordinance may be inspected at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department, during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on: April 12, 2016
Effective Date: May 12, 2016
Publish: April 21, 2016

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – April 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sneideman, Williams, Yack Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director Faas, Director Mutchler, Director Trumbull, Chief Meier Staff Absent: Kristin Kolb **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to amend the agenda to remove Item C-7: Consider Approval of an Easement Agreement for DTE Energy, Inc. to Relocate Overhead Lines on Township-Owned Parcel # 71-097-99-0001-003 and to add Item C-12: Resolution designating the Month of April as "Fair Housing Month" in Canton Township and add a presentation by Amy Page from The Senior Alliance following the Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the Board Minutes of March 22, 2016 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** James Leddy, 6757 Brookshire Drive, President of the HOA for Pickwick Village, stated his support for the 2015 and 2016 Wayne County/Canton Township Local Roads Initiative Program. He would like the township board to add its support to continue this program in the future. Supervisor LaJoy stated the board has given its support to the County regarding this program and he would like to see it extended over the next 5 – 6 years. Trustee Yack suggested the homeowners contact Joe Barone – Wayne County Commissioner. George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, asked when the road construction under the Wayne County/Canton Township Local Roads Initiative Program will start. Supervisor LaJoy stated in 2016 – he did not have an exact date. Mr. Miller asked when the road repair at Sheldon and Cherry Hill would be completed. Mr. Miller commented on several complaints made against his barking dogs. **The Senior Alliance – Update:** Amy Page, General Manager of Community Care Department of The Senior Alliance presented the board with an update of their services and achievements: Meals on Wheels Medicaid Waiver Program – Helps seniors and residents with disabilities to stay in their own homes rather than a nursing facility. Nursing Facility Transition Program – Assists individuals transitioning back into their own homes from an extended care facility. Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program – Assists individuals navigate the complicated enrollment process for these services. Their counselors helped applicants save over 6 million dollars last year. Information and Assistance Department – Connects individuals with the proper resources as part of their ADRC Network. Transportation Program – Provides transportation assistance as a last resort for residents. Care Transitions Program – Helps Medicare beneficiaries avoid hospital readmissions. Caregiver Support Diabetes Education Fall Prevention Classes Over the past year, the TSA has served 2140 residents of Canton. The Top 3 programs Canton's residents have taken advantage of are: Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program Care Transitions Program Meals on Wheels Program Only 6% of their 20 million dollar budget is used for Administrative, the balance, 94% of this budget, goes directly into the communities they serve. Canton has continued to support their programs. Regarding the Meals on Wheels Program: Although Wayne County has provided a financial subsidy for this program for over 35 years, as a result of their financial crisis the County is confronting, they have discontinued their subsidy. To prevent a disruption in this program in 2016, TSA is adding $670,000 in one-time emergency funds the Meals on Wheels Program. **Payment of Bills** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Set Public Hearing for Consideration of a "Class C" Liquor License for 6 Cheeses, LLC, DBA Tom+Chee, in Parcel Numbers 82-71-053-99-0005-003/82-71-053-99-0013-004 Located on the South Side of Ford Road East of Lilley Road, Canton, Michigan, 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County (Clerk)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to set the Public Hearing date for May 24, 2016 to consider a "Class C" Liquor License for 6 Cheeses LLC, DBA Tom+Chee, in Parcel Numbers 82-71-053-99-0005-003/82-71-053-99-0013-004 located on the south side of Ford Road east of Lilley Road, Canton, Michigan, 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-2. Set Public Hearing for the World Of Beer, for a New Class C Liquor License, Located at 42820 Ford Rd., Canton, Michigan, 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County (Clerk)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to set the Public Hearing date for May 10, 2016 to consider a "Class C" Liquor License for World of Beer, located at 42820 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan, 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County. (Parcel Number 82-71-043-00-0005-702). Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-3. Consider Authorization of Bid Award for 2016 Bus Transportation (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to award the 2016 Bus Transportation Services to First Student, 1823 Centre Point Circle, Suite A, Naperville, Illinois 60563 in the amount of $19,728 from the following accounts: 101-691-61.801_0050 - $6,576.00; 101-691-63.860 - $13,152.00 Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-4. Consider Approval of Application for SEMCOG TAP Grant and Acceptance of Funds if Approved. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the submission of an application to SEMCOG for a TAP grant towards the installation of the Ford Cherry Hill Plant pathway trail connector, and to accept the funds if approved. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-5. Consider Approval of Preliminary Application for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grant (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman approve the preliminary application for a Land and Water Conservation Fund ORLP grant for Phase I Development of Patriot Park which includes a commitment to fulfill the match requirement if ultimately awarded. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-6. Consider Second Reading for Amendments to Appendix A- Zoning of the Code of Ordinances Relative to the Boundaries of the Corporate Park and Central Business District Overlay Boundaries. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to remove from the table, and hold the second reading of an ordinance amending Appendix A - Zoning, Article 1.03, "Definitions", and Article 2.07 B, "Temporary Structures and Special Events". Motion carried by all members present Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to adopt and publish the second reading of an ordinance amending Appendix A - Zoning, Article 1.03, "Definitions", and Article 2.07 B, "Temporary Structures and Special Events". Motion carried by all members present **STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON APPENDIX A – ZONING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPENDIX A - ZONING, ARTICLE 1.03, "DEFINITIONS", AND ARTICLE 2.07 B, "TEMPORARY STRUCTURES AND SPECIAL EVENTS" THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO CODE.** Appendix A – Zoning, Section 1.03, entitled "Definitions" and Section 2.07 B "Temporary structures and special events" is hereby amended to read as follows: **Section 1.03 - Definitions** *Special event:* A special event is a temporary use/event that is sponsored and/or conducted by a person, entity, corporation or organization, and shall include any event that significantly impacts the community due to one, or more, of the following conditions: duration, attendance, number and type of temporary structures, impairment to vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic, impairment to parking, or hindrance in use of the public right-of-way. **Section 2.07 – Temporary structures and special events** *General requirements.* Temporary buildings and structures shall comply with the following requirements: *Temporary structures used for residential purposes.* A building or structure may be approved for temporary residential use only while damage to the principal dwelling due to fire, flood, ice, wind, or other natural disaster is being repaired. A temporary building or structure which could be used on a temporary basis, such as a house trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn, or other outbuilding, shall not be used as a residence on any parcel without prior review and approval by the public safety and building officials. *Temporary structures used for nonresidential purposes.* Temporary buildings for nonresidential use, including semi-trucks/semi-trailers and concrete batch plants, shall be permitted only when the intended use is by a contractor or builder in conjunction with a construction project, and only after review and approval by the building official. Such temporary structures shall be removed immediately upon completion of the construction project and prior to a request for a certificate of occupancy for the project. *Temporary structures used as sales offices for single-family or multiple-family residential developments.* Temporary buildings intended for use as a sales office for residential housing units shall be permitted only when the intended use is by a builder, developer, or their authorized representative. Only one such structure shall be permitted per multiple-family site and up to three for a single-family subdivision or site condominium, but in no case shall there be more than one temporary sales trailer per builder on the proposed development site, regardless of the number of phases. Such structures shall comply with all applicable regulations for the zoning district and shall be required to obtain site plan approval, and be equipped with an approved sanitation system. If the sales office is needed for 180 days or less, the site plan may be administratively approved with the concurrence of the planning, engineering, and building officials. There shall be no extensions to administrative approvals. If the sales office is needed for more than 180 days, the site plan will require review and approval by the planning commission. The planning commission shall have the right to limit the time period based on the nature of the development. In no case shall the temporary sales office be permitted after completion of a model unit. *Temporary structures used as sales offices for commercial developments.* Temporary buildings intended for use as an office for commercial purposes shall be limited to use by the proprietor or operator of the development for the purpose of securing pre-sales of subscriptions or memberships for the business under construction or employment application purposes. Only one such structure shall be permitted per development site, shall meet all applicable regulations of the zoning district, and shall be required to obtain site plan approval, and be equipped with an approved sanitation system. If the office is needed for 180 days or less, the site plan may be administratively approved with the concurrence of the planning, engineering, and building officials. There shall be no extensions to administrative approvals. If the sales office is needed for more than 180 days, the site plan will require review and approval by the planning commission. The planning commission shall have the right to limit the time period based on site conditions and the specific nature of the development. In no case shall the temporary sales office be permitted after any portion of the development has received a certificate of occupancy. *Use as an accessory structure.* A temporary building or structure shall not be used as an accessory building or structure, except as permitted in section 2.07.A.1, above. *Special events.* The township board, in accord with policy guidelines it establishes, may grant temporary use of land and structures for special events, as defined in article 1.00 of this ordinance. *Special events.* Special events are subject to the following requirements: Permit required. No person, entity, corporation or organization shall hold and/or conduct a special event, as defined in this appendix, within the Township without first obtaining a special event permit from the Township. A permit application shall be submitted to the Building and Inspection Services Division, along with an application fee, as approved by the Township Board. The requirements for a special event application and requisite fee shall be set forth in a policy approved by the Township Board. A public or private event in a building, or on a property, that is contrary to that building or property's Township approved use shall require a special event compliance permit. Special events that have negative impacts to occupant loads, crowd control, traffic flow, or public safety in general, shall require approval by the Township Board based on a joint recommendation of the Municipal Services Director and Public Safety Director. All costs incurred by the Township relative to a special event, including but not limited to staff costs and equipment costs, shall be the responsibility of the permit holder. An estimate of the total costs shall be computed by the Township and be provided to the permit holder. Payment of the estimated costs is due prior to the special event, with any balance due within ten (10) calendar days after the conclusion of the special event. **SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY** If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application of thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalid the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provisions not have been included in this ordinance. **SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES** All Ordinance or parts of Ordinance is conflict herewith is hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. **SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE** All rights and duties which have matured penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance. **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE; PUBLICATION.** A public hearing having been held hereon pursuant to the provisions of Section 103 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of 2006, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be published within fifteen (15) days of its adoption of publications of a notice in a newspaper circulated in Canton Township stating the date of enactment and effective date, a brief statement as to its regulatory effect and that a complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the Township Clerk during the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Local Time. The provision of this Ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after its publication. **CERTIFICATION** The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 12th day of April, 2016 and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. Terry Bennett, Clerk Introduced: March 22, 2016 Adopted: April 12, 2016 Published: April 21, 2016 Effective: April 28, 2016 A zoning ordinance regulating the development and use of land has been adopted by the legislative body of the Charter Township of Canton. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. A complete copy of the Ordinances for Canton Township is available at www.canton-mi.org. **Item C-7. Removed from Agenda Item C-8. Consider Approval of the Purchase of 22,000 Feet of Type K Copper Tubing from HD Supply Waterworks (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to award a contract for the purchase of 22,000 feet of Type K copper tubing to HD Supply Waterworks for an amount not to exceed $58,740. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-9. Consider Approval of the Purchase of 400 Mueller Curb Stops, 400 Mueller Corporation Stops, and 450 AY McDonald Curb Boxes from the Etna Supply Company (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to award a contract for the purchase of 400 Mueller curb stops, 400 Mueller Corporation stops, and 450 AY McDonald Curb boxes from the Etna Supply Company of Grand Rapids for an amount not to exceed $56,217.50. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-10. Consider Purchase of Recycle Bins (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to waive the informal bid process and award purchase of 1,000 recycle bins to Rehrig Pacific Company, 1738 West 20th Street, Erie PA for a not-to-exceed amount of $6,895.00. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-11. GLWA W.R.A.P. Grant Memorandum of Agreement (Treasurer)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Wayne Metro/GLWA and Canton Township for low income assistance for water and sewer bill payments, and authorize the Township Treasurer to sign the agreement and serve as the representative on behalf of Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-12. Resolution designating the Month of April as "Fair Housing Month" in Canton Township (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to adopt the following resolution designating the Month of April as "Fair Housing Month" in Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Resolution Declaring the Month of April as "Fair Housing Month" in Canton Township WHEREAS,** the year 2016 marks the 48th anniversary of the passage of the Federal Fair Housing Act: Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended; and **WHEREAS,** this law guarantees that housing throughout the United States should be made available to all citizens without regard to race, color, religion, sex, family status, disability or national origin; and **WHEREAS,** equality of opportunity for all is a fundamental policy of this nation, state and township; and **WHEREAS,** barriers which diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights of all citizens. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees designates the month of April 2016 as "Fair Housing Month" in Canton Township. We encourage the residents of our community to join in this observance. Date: April 12, 2016 Philip J. LaJoy, Canton Supervisor **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider Approval of Wages for Elected Officials for the 2017 Fiscal Year (SUPERVISOR)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve a 5% wage decrease for the Canton Township Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees to be effective November 20, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-2. Consider Approval of the Preliminary Site Plan for Phase 2 of River Hill Ridge at Cherry Hill Village Site Condominium (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to pass the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Preliminary Site Plan for River Hill Ridge at Cherry Hill Village Site Condominium (Phase 2) WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor has requested preliminary approval for the site plan for River Hill Ridge at Cherry Hill Village Site Condominium (Phase 2), located north of Proctor Road between Denton and Ridge Roads on tax parcel no. 076-99-0002-705; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval based on the findings that the proposed development plan is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan; and, **WHEREAS,** the Board has reviewed the planned development and determines the proposal to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendations attached hereto and made a part hereof. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the requested preliminary site plan for River Hill Ridge at Cherry Hill Village Site Condominium (Phase 2) subject to compliance with any conditions contained herein and all other regulations of the Township. **Item G-3. Consider Amendment No. 1 to the River Hill Ridge Planned Development (PDD) (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Final Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the River Hill Ridge Planned Development WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor has requested final approval of Amendment No. 1 to the River Hill Ridge Planned Development, located north of Proctor Road between Denton and Ridge Roads on parcel nos. 074-99-0008-715, 074-99-0010-710, 075-02-0001-000 through 075-02-1006-000 and 076-99-0002-705 and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval based on the findings that the proposed development plan is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan; and, **WHEREAS,** the Board has reviewed the planned development and determines the proposal to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions outlined in the Planning Commission recommendation and recommendations attached hereto and made a part hereof. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve Amendment No. 1 to the Final PDD for River Hill Ridge, as the proposed development provides a compatible transition from Cherry Hill Village, preserves and protects the Rouge River Corridor and provides a pedestrian bridge across the Rouge River and completes the path system to Proctor Road, allowing a connection to Independence Park and the Hamlet. **Item G-4. Consider Approval of the Minor Planned Development Agreement for the Cherry Hill Village Gardens (Zahr) Retail Buildings (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Approval of the Minor Planned Development for Cherry Hill Village Gardens (Zahr) Retail WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor, Anwar Zahr, has requested approval of a minor planned development agreement for the Cherry Hill Village Gardens (Zahr) Retail complex located on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill Road and Roosevelt Street on parcel no. 073-99-0005-703; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the minor planned development, subject to removal of access to the alley on the conceptual development plan, based on the findings that the proposed development plan is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and Cherry Hill Village Overlay District; and, **WHEREAS,** the Board has reviewed the planned development and determines the proposal to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions outlined in the Planning Commission recommendation and recommendations attached hereto and made a part hereof. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the minor planned development for the Cherry Hill Village Gardens (Zahr) Retail complex, subject to removal of access to the alley on the conceptual development plan, based on the findings that the proposed development plan is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and Cherry Hill Village Overlay District. **Item G-5. Consider Adoption of the Recommendations from Municipal Services and Finance & Budget Departments on the 2016 Water and Sewer Rates (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the 2016 water and sewer rate study. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-6. Consider First Reading of Code of Ordinance Amendments to Part I, Chapter 74 entitled "Utilities", Article II, Division 1, Adding Section 74-38 Entitled "Water and\ Sewer Lead Ownership"; and Division 2, Subdivision II Entitled "Schedule of Rates and Charges", Revising Section 74-83** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to introduce and hold the first reading of an amendment to the Code of Ordinance, Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "UTILITIES", Article II, Division 1, adding Section 74-38 entitled "WATER AND SEWER LEAD OWNERSHIP", and Division 2, Subdivision II entitled "SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES", Section 74-83. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to table consideration the amendment to the Code of Ordinance, Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "UTILITIES", Article II, Division 1, adding Section 74-38 entitled "WATER AND SEWER LEAD OWNERSHIP", and Division 2, Subdivision II entitled "SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES", Section 74-83 and hold the second reading on April 26, 2016. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the complete text of this Proposed Ordinance Amendment is available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. The approved text of the Amendment will be published in the Canton Eagle/Associated Newspaper within the meeting minute's synopsis of the date of approval. A complete copy of the Ordinances for Canton Township is available at www.canton-mi.org. **Item G-7. Consider Approval of a Budget Amendment & Award of a Contract to Bricco Excavating Co., LLC for the Ride Road Water Main Extension Project from Proctor Road to Cherry Hill Road (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin approve a budget amendment in the amount of $41,565 for the Ridge Road Watermain Extension Project as follows: Increase Fund Balance Appropriation: #592-000.695 (Fund Balance Appropriation) by $41,565; and Increase Expenditure: #592-360.970_0090 (Capital Outlay-Infrastructure) by $41,565. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman award a contract to Bricco Excavating Co., LLC of Oak Park, Michigan for the Ridge Road Water Main Installation in the amount of $648,317 plus a 15% contingency of $97,248 for a total not to exceed $745,565 and further authorize the Township Clerk to sign the contract documents. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-8. Consider Award of Professional Design and Construction Engineering Services to Northwest Consultants, Inc. for the 2017 Water Main Projects (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to award a contract for professional design and construction engineering services for the 2017 Water Main Improvement Projects to Northwest Consultants, Inc. in the amount of $42,780 plus a 15% contingency of $6,917 for a total not-to-exceed amount of $49,197. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-9. Consider Approval of a Budget Amendment and Award of a Contract Award to Spalding DeDecker for Design of a Pathway and Trail Connection from the Cherry Hill Road/Lotz Road Intersection to the I-275 Metro Trail. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve a budget amendment in the amount of $25,000, for pathway design engineering services provided by Spalding DeDecker for the Cherry Hill Road pathway and Trail Connection as follows: Increase Revenue: #101-000.675 (Donations) by $25,000; Increase Expenditure: #101-447-03.970_0050 (Capital Outlay - Infrastructure) by $25,000. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award a contract in the amount of $15,400, plus a contingency of 10% ($1,540), for a total amount not-to-exceed $16,940 out of account #101-000.675 for pathway design engineering services, and also authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the proposal on behalf of Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-10. Consider Authorizing a 5-Year Agreement with Olson's Party Rental for Tents (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to authorize a 5-year agreement with Olson's Party Rental, 20671 Ecorse Road, Taylor, MI 48180 in the amount of $9,075 per year for the 2016-2020 Liberty Festivals. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-11. Consider Bid Award for Preservation Park Drainage Improvements and Approval of Budget Amendment (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to award the bid for Preservation Park Drainage Improvements to TLS Construction, 2409 Monte Carlo Drive, Howell, MI 48843 in the amount of $42,737 with funds to be paid from Account #101-803-970_0020 Capital Outlay Building & Improvements. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendments: Increase 101-803-970_0020 Capital Outlay Building & Improvements $2,737 Decrease 101-803-930_0020 Maint. & Repair Buildings & Additions $2,737 Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-12. Consider Approving Increase to Purchase Order Issued for 60 Body Cameras. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve increasing Purchase Order #2016-0002 issued to L-3 Mobile Vision, Inc., from $29,999.45 to $36,298.25, allowing the original order of 60 BodyVISION cameras to be upgraded to 60 BodyVISION R4 cameras, utilizing funds available in the 2016 Police Budget Capital Outlay Computers account. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-13. Consider Approving the Purchase of 40 Cradlepoint Modems for Patrol Vehicles (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of 40 Cradlepoint Rugged 3.4G modems, 40 Powertech antennas, and a five-year service agreement from CDW-G, in the amount of $41,520, utilizing funds available in the 2016 Police Capital Outlay Computers Account. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-14. Consider Adoption of a Resolution for Approval of Application for additional MERS Service Credit by five employees. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman adopt the Resolutions allowing the purchase of additional service credit by Jacob M. Krogmeier, Joey C. Mullally, Justyn M. Zajac, Gregory Hunter and Michael Kowalski. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-15. Consider Approval of Bond Authorizing Resolution for 2016 Capital Improvement and Refunding Bonds not-to-exceed $30,000,000 (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to approve the following Bond Authorizing Resolution for 2016 Capital Improvement and Refunding Bonds not to exceed $30,000,000 for the purpose of refunding the 2007 Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds and to defray the cost of construction of the water supply system. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan, held on the 12th day of April, 2016. PRESENT: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sneideman, Williams, Yack ABSENT: None The following resolution was made by Bennett and seconded by Sneideman: **WHEREAS,** the Charter Township of Canton (the "Township") issued its 2007 Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, dated as of August 1, 2007, in the aggregate principal amount of $44,300,000 (the "Prior Bonds"); and **WHEREAS,** the Prior Bonds remain outstanding in various principal amounts, and the Township has been advised that certain of the Prior Bonds could be redeemed and thereby secure savings for the Township and benefit the taxpayers of the Township; and **WHEREAS,** Part VI of Act No. 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended ("Act 34"), authorizes the issuance of bonds for the purpose of refunding all or part of the Township's outstanding securities, including the Prior Bonds; and **WHEREAS,** the Township Board of the Township has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to secure savings for the Township through the issuance of such bonds; and **WHEREAS,** the Township Board of the Township does hereby determine that it is necessary to finance all or part of the cost of the acquisition and construction of water supply system capital improvements in the Township including, but not limited to, a 2.5 million gallon water storage reservoir, a pump station, meter pit upgrades, and paving, drainage, building and associated site improvements (the "Project); and **WHEREAS,** the cost of the Project is estimated to be not less than Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($8,500,000); and **WHEREAS,** the Township Board of the Township has determined to issue bonds and to use the proceeds of the sale of such bonds to finance all or part of the cost of the Project. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that: AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS – PURPOSE. Bonds of the Township aggregating the principal sum of not to exceed Thirty Million Dollars ($30,000,000) (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold pursuant to the provisions of Act 34, and other applicable statutory provisions, for the purpose of refunding all or part of the Prior Bonds and for the purpose of defraying all or part of the cost of acquiring and constructing the Project as determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor. BOND DETAILS. The Bonds shall be designated "2016 Capital Improvement and Refunding Bonds (General Obligation Limited Tax)"; shall be dated as of the date approved by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor; shall be numbered from 1 upwards; shall be fully registered; shall be in the denomination of $5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof not exceeding the aggregate principal amount for each maturity at the option of the purchaser thereof; shall bear interest at a rate or rates per annum as shall be determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor; shall be payable on such dates as shall be determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor; and shall be serial bonds and/or term bonds and mature on such dates and in such years as shall be determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor. PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST. The principal of and interest on the Bond shall be payable in lawful money of the United States. Principal shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to the bond registrar and paying agent as they severally mature. Interest shall be paid to the registered owner of each Bond as shown on the registration books at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month preceding the month in which the interest payment is due. Interest shall be paid when due by check or draft drawn upon and mailed by the bond registrar and paying agent to the registered owner at the registered address. PRIOR REDEMPTION. The Bonds shall be subject to mandatory and/or optional redemption prior to maturity upon such terms and conditions as shall be determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor. BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM. Initially, if requested by the original purchaser of the Bonds and determined by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor, one fully-registered Bond for each maturity, in the aggregate amount of such maturity, shall be issued in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") for the benefit of other parties (the "Participants") in the book-entry-only transfer system of DTC. In the event the Township determines that it is in the best interest of the Township not to continue the book-entry system of transfer or that the interests of the holders of the Bonds might be adversely affected if the book-entry system of transfer is continued, the Township may notify DTC and the bond registrar and paying agent, whereupon DTC will notify the Participants of the availability through DTC of Bond certificates. In such event, the bond registrar and paying agent shall deliver, transfer and exchange Bond certificates as requested by DTC and any Participant or "beneficial owner" in appropriate amounts in accordance with this resolution. DTC may determine to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the Township and the bond registrar and paying agent and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law or the Township may determine that DTC is incapable of discharging its duties and may so advise DTC. In either such event, the Township shall use reasonable efforts to locate another securities depository. Under such circumstances (if there is no successor securities depository), the Township and the bond registrar and paying agent shall be obligated to deliver Bond certificates in accordance with the procedures established by this resolution. In the event Bond certificates are issued, the provisions of this resolution shall apply to, among other things, the transfer and exchange of such certificates and the method of payment of principal of and interest on such certificates. Whenever DTC requests the Township and the bond registrar and paying agent to do so, the Township and the bond registrar and paying agent shall cooperate with DTC in taking appropriate action after reasonable notice to make available one or more separate certificates evidencing the Bonds to any Participant having Bonds credited to its DTC account or to arrange for another securities depository to maintain custody of certificates evidencing the Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this resolution to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to the principal of, interest on and redemption premium, if any, on such Bonds and all notices with respect to the Bonds shall be made and given, respectively, to DTC. The Director of Finance and Budget and the Supervisor are each authorized to sign the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations on behalf of the Township in such form as such official signing the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations deems necessary or appropriate in order to accomplish the issuance of the Bonds in accordance with law and this resolution. BOND REGISTRAR AND PAYING AGENT. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor shall designate, and may enter into an agreement with, a bond registrar and paying agent for the Bonds which shall be a bank or trust company located in the State of Michigan that is qualified to act in such capacity under the laws of the United States of America or the State of Michigan. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor from time to time as required may designate a similarly qualified successor bond registrar and paying agent. EXECUTION, AUTHENTICATION AND DELIVERY OF BONDS. The Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Township by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Supervisor and the Clerk and authenticated by the manual signature of the bond registrar and paying agent or an authorized representative of the bond registrar and paying agent, and the seal of the Township (or a facsimile thereof) shall be impressed or imprinted on the Bonds. After the Bonds have been executed and authenticated for delivery to the original purchaser thereof, they shall be delivered by the Treasurer or the Director of Finance and Budget to the original purchaser of the Bonds upon receipt of the purchase price. Additional Bonds bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of the Supervisor and the Clerk may be delivered to the bond registrar and paying agent for authentication and delivery in connection with the exchange or transfer of the Bonds. The bond registrar and paying agent shall indicate on each Bond the date of its authentication. EXCHANGE AND TRANSFER OF BONDS. Any Bond, upon surrender thereof to the bond registrar and paying agent with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the bond registrar and paying agent duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney, at the option of the registered owner thereof, may be exchanged for Bonds of any other authorized denominations of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity date and bearing the same rate of interest as the surrendered Bond. Each Bond shall be transferable only upon the books of the Township, which shall be kept for that purpose by the bond registrar and paying agent, upon surrender of such Bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the bond registrar and paying agent duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney. Upon the exchange or transfer of any Bond, the bond registrar and paying agent on behalf of the Township shall cancel the surrendered Bond and shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee a new Bond or Bonds of any authorized denomination of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity date and bearing the same rate of interest as the surrendered Bond. If, at the time the bond registrar and paying agent authenticates and delivers a new Bond pursuant to this section, payment of interest on the Bonds is in default, the bond registrar and paying agent shall endorse upon the new Bond the following: "Payment of interest on this bond is in default. The last date to which interest has been paid is _, _." The Township and the bond registrar and paying agent may deem and treat the person in whose name any Bond shall be registered upon the books of the Township as the absolute owner of such Bond, whether such Bond shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal of and interest on such Bond and for all other purposes, and all payments made to any such registered owner, or upon his order, in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of this resolution shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, and neither the Township nor the bond registrar and paying agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. The Township agrees to indemnify and save the bond registrar and paying agent harmless from and against any and all loss, cost, charge, expense, judgment or liability incurred by it, acting in good faith and without negligence hereunder, in so treating such registered owner. For every exchange or transfer of Bonds, the Township or the bond registrar and paying agent may make a charge sufficient to reimburse it for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer, which sum or sums shall be paid by the person requesting such exchange or transfer as a condition precedent to the exercise of the privilege of making such exchange or transfer. The bond registrar and paying agent shall not be required to transfer or exchange Bonds or portions of Bonds that have been selected for redemption. FORM OF BONDS. The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form, with such changes thereto as approved by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor within the parameters of this resolution: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON 2016 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND REFUNDING BONDS (GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX) INTEREST RATE MATURITY DATE DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE CUSIP Registered Owner: Principal Amount: The Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township"), acknowledges itself indebted to, and for value received hereby promises to pay to, the Registered Owner identified above, or registered assigns, the Principal Amount set forth above on the Maturity Date specified above, unless redeemed prior thereto as hereinafter provided, upon presentation and surrender of this bond at _____, the bond registrar and paying agent, or at such successor bond registrar and paying agent as may be designated pursuant to the Resolution (as hereinafter defined), and to pay to the Registered Owner, as shown on the registration books at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month preceding the month in which an interest payment is due, by check or draft drawn upon and mailed by the bond registrar and paying agent by first class mail postage prepaid to the Registered Owner

911

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CWW delegates.

Under state law, the CWW coordinates one of four 911 Service Districts within Wayne County. As a large number of residents use text messaging for various communications, officials of the 18 CWW communities began working in 2015 to test and implement new technology to allow text messages to local 911 emergency centers when seeking help or to report emergencies.

"The Canton Public Safety Department is eager to be a part of this new E/911 initiative, providing an alternate method of contact for citizens to request police, fire and emergency medical services. Our staff has been trained and is ready to start accepting requests for service via text message," said Todd L. Mutchler, director of Canton Public Safety.

Text-to-911 is an important new service that offers citizens who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, a new way to contact emergency services. Other examples of a citizen needing text-to-911 service could include domestic violence, kidnapping and other situations where victims need a way to call for help without tipping off a criminal during the commission of a crime, officials said.

"Our 18 communities did something you don't hear much about these days-we worked together to benefit everyone. We work tirelessly to grow Western Wayne County and provide our citizens with the best services possible. And as a region we chose to combine our efforts to bring this new access to 911 to our 700,000 residents, 100,000 businesses and all those who travel through and work in our communities every day. Public safety is the first priority of local government and the CWW prides itself on protecting our citizens," Wild said when making the announcement.

How does it work?

Anyone who is within the borders of the 18 CWW communities can use the service, as long as they have a texting plan with one of the four major carriers: AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile or Verizon. The service is activated by sending a text on a mobile phone to 911. That text message will be routed to the nearest CWW 911 dispatch center for action.

> *Our 18 communities did something you don't hear much about these days-we worked together to benefit everyone.*

At the current time, the rest of Wayne County does not have text-to-911 service, although some neighboring counties such as Oakland and Macomb have fully implemented text-to-911. If the texter is in an area that does not support text-to-911, they will receive a "bounce-back" message informing them 911 is not available via text.

Officials emphasized that text-to-911 is a complement to calling 911, not a replacement, because voice calls to 911 are still the most efficient way to communicate with public safety officials in an emergency situation.

Communities affected by the new service include the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland, and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

Olympians sought for parade

The Northville Community Foundation is searching for Olympic athletes to help celebrate the Fourth of July this year.

The foundation organizes and coordinates the annual Northville Independence Day Parade, one of the largest in the state, and this year has chosen Cheers for Team USA! Celebrating the 2016 Summer Olympics as the parade theme. To promote the celebration of Olympic athletes, the parade committee is hoping to include past Olympic competitors in the entries.

Former or current Olympic, Paralympics or Special Olympic athletes who have competed in any sport during the summer or winter games in any year are invited to participate in the parade, said Jessica Striegle, the director of the Northville Community Foundation.

Athletes or others interested in joining the event should call Striegle at the foundation office at (248) 374-0200 or email northvillecf@gmail.com.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 9, 2016 in the ***First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.*** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A - ZONING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 8.00 - AMENDING THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES ON THE ZONING MAP AS FOLLOWS;

PRODHAN/GRIFFIN REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 057 01 0401 000 AND 057 01 0402 000 (2088 BROOKLINE) FROM R-5, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO OSP, OFF STREET PARKING. Property is located south of Ford Road between Sheldon Road and Brookline Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, May 5, 2016 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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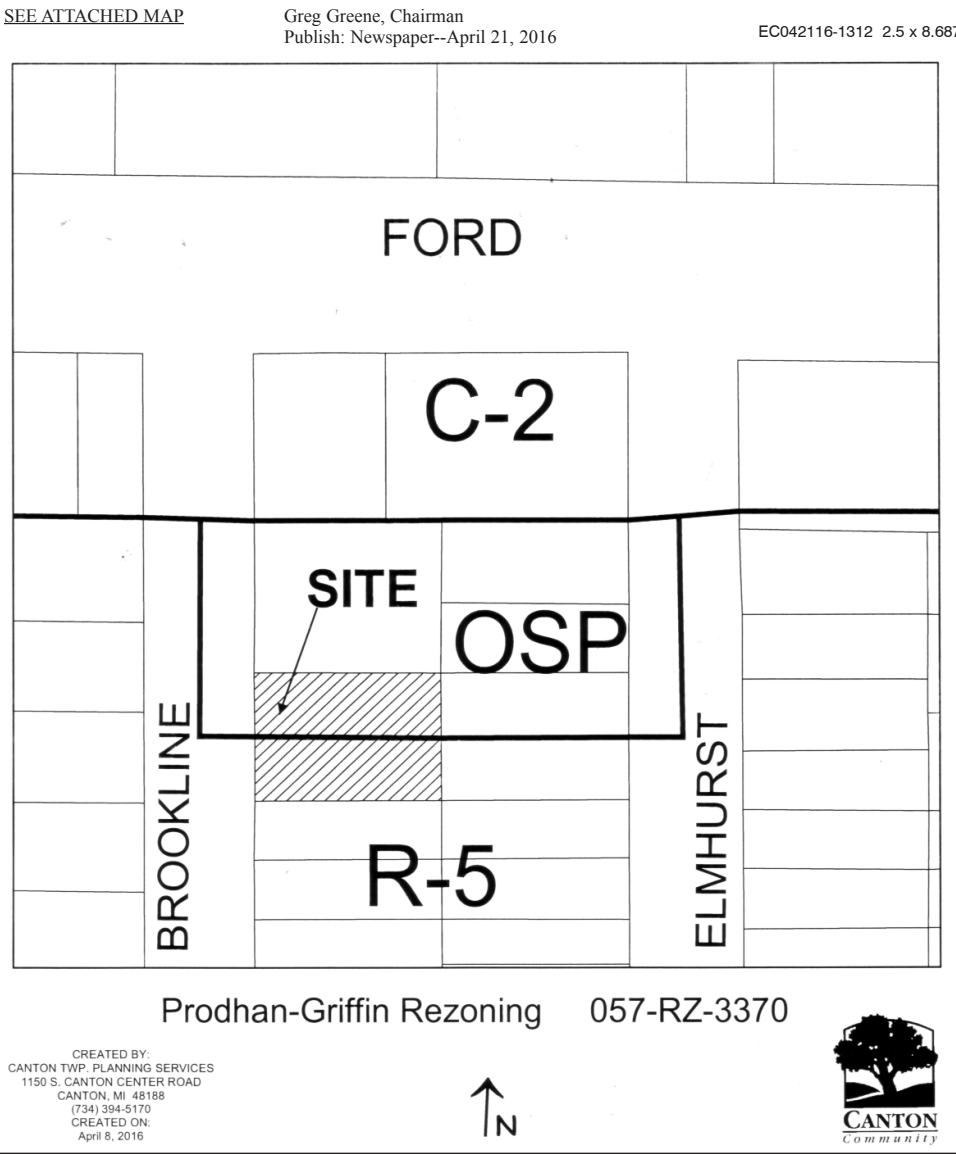

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the acquisition and construction of water supply system capital improvements in the Township. The full faith and credit of the Township have been pledged for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on this bond. Taxes imposed by the Township are subject to constitutional, statutory and charter tax limitations. This bond is transferable, as provided in the Resolution, only upon the books of the Township kept for that purpose by the bond registrar and paying agent, upon the surrender of this bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the bond registrar and paying agent duly executed by the Registered Owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Upon the exchange or transfer of this bond a new bond or bonds of any authorized denomination, in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same interest rate and maturity, shall be authenticated and delivered to the transferee in exchange therefor as provided in the Resolution, and upon payment of the charges, if any, therein provided. Bonds so authenticated and delivered shall be in the denomination of $_____ or any integral multiple of $_____not exceeding the aggregate principal amount for each maturity. The bond registrar and paying agent shall not be required to transfer or exchange bonds or portions of bonds that have been selected for redemption. MANDATORY REDEMPTION Bonds maturing in the year ____ are subject to mandatory prior redemption at par and accrued interest as follows: Redemption Date Principal Amount of Bonds to be Redeemed _ Bonds or portions of bonds to be redeemed by mandatory redemption shall be selected by lot. (REPEAT IF MORE THAN ONE TERM BOND) OPTIONAL PRIOR REDEMPTION Bonds maturing prior to _____, 201_, are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds maturing on and after to _____, 201_, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Township, in such order as shall be determined by the Township, on any date on and after _____, 201_. Bonds of a denomination greater than $_____ may be partially redeemed in the amount of $_____ or any integral multiple of $_____. If less than all of the bonds maturing in any year are to be redeemed, the bonds or portions of bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by lot. The redemption price shall be the par value of the bond or portion of the bond called to be redeemed plus interest to the date fixed for redemption. Not less than thirty but not more than sixty days' notice of redemption shall be given to the Registered Owner of bonds called to be redeemed by mail to each Registered Owner at the registered address. Bonds or portions of bonds called for redemption shall not bear interest on and after the date fixed for redemption, provided funds are on hand with the bond registrar and paying agent to redeem the same. It is hereby certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of the bonds of this series, existed, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the total indebtedness of the Township, including the series of bonds of which this bond is one, does not exceed any constitutional, statutory or charter tax limitation. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Charter Township of Canton, State of Michigan, by its Township Board, has caused this bond to be executed in its name by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Supervisor and the Clerk and its corporate seal (or a facsimile thereof) to be impressed or imprinted thereon. This bond shall not be valid unless the Certificate of Authentication has been manually executed by the bond registrar and paying agent or an authorized representative of the bond registrar and paying agent. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON By: Its: Supervisor And: Its: Clerk CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION This bond is one of the bonds described in the within mentioned Resolution. Bond Registrar and Paying Agent By: Authorized Representative AUTHENTICATION DATE: ASSIGNMENT For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____ (please print or type name, address and taxpayer identification number of transferee) the within bond and all rights thereunder and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____ attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises. Dated: ___ ____ Signature Guaranteed: _____ Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a Securities Transfer Association recognized signature guarantee program. SECURITY. There shall be levied upon all taxable property in the Township upon the tax roll for each year while any of the Bonds shall be outstanding an amount such that the estimated collections therefrom will be sufficient to pay promptly at maturity the principal and interest maturing on the Bonds prior to the time of the following year's tax collections. Taxes required to be levied to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be subject to constitutional, statutory and charter tax limitations. The proceeds of such taxes (both current and delinquent) shall be deposited as collected into a debt retirement fund that shall be established and maintained for the Bonds as either a separate or a common fund as permitted by law, and until the principal of and the interest on the Bonds are paid in full, such proceeds shall be used only for payment of such principal and interest or for other authorized purposes of the fund. The amounts to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds as described in this section can be derived from Township water and sewer rates and charges. To the extent that the Township has funds lawfully available from water and sewer rates and charges at the time of making its annual tax levy for payment of principal or interest, the annual levy for such purpose shall be adjusted to reflect such available funds. ESTIMATES OF PERIOD OF USEFULNESS AND COST. The estimated period of usefulness of the Project for which the Bonds are to be issued is hereby determined to be thirty (30) years and upwards, and the estimated cost of the Project in the amount of not less than $8,500,000 as submitted to this Township Board is hereby approved and adopted. USE OF BOND PROCEEDS – CONSTRUCTION FUND. From the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds there shall be set aside in the debt retirement fund any accrued interest received from the purchaser at the time of delivery of the Bonds and such portion of any premium received from the purchaser at such time as determined by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor. Thereafter, $8,500,000 of the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, or such lesser amount as determined by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor, shall be set aside in a construction fund and used to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds allocated to the Project and to acquire and construct the Project. The allocation of issuance and other costs and any premium and discount from the sale of the Bonds to the Project and to the refunding of the Prior Bonds shall be determined by Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor. PAYMENT OF COSTS OF ISSUANCE - ESCROW FUND. The remainder of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds allocated to the refunding of the Prior Bonds and to refund the Prior Bonds maturing in the years determined by order of the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor (the "Prior Bonds To Be Refunded"). After the costs of issuance have been paid or provided for the remaining proceeds shall be used, together with such amounts transferred from the principal and interest fund for the Prior Bonds and any other available funds of the Township in such amounts as determined by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor, to establish an escrow fund (the "Escrow Fund") consisting of cash and investments in direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America or other obligations the principal of and interest on which are fully secured by the foregoing and used to pay the principal of, interest on and redemption premiums, if any, on the Prior Bonds To Be Refunded. The Escrow Fund shall be held by an escrow agent (the "Escrow Agent") pursuant to an Escrow Agreement (the "Escrow Agreement"), which irrevocably shall direct the Escrow Agent to take all necessary steps to pay the principal of and interest on the Prior Bonds To Be Refunded when due and to call such Prior Bonds To Be Refunded at redemption at such time as shall be determined in the Escrow Agreement. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized to select the Escrow Agent and enter into the Escrow Agreement on behalf of the Township. The amounts held in the Escrow Fund shall be such that the cash and the investments and the income received on the investments will be sufficient without reinvestment to pay the principal of, interest on and redemption premiums, if any, on the Prior Bonds when due at maturity or call for redemption as required by the Escrow Agreement. DEFEASANCE. In the event cash or direct obligations of the United States or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by the United States, or a combination thereof, the principal of and interest on which, without reinvestment, come due at times and in amounts sufficient to pay, at maturity or irrevocable call for earlier optional redemption, the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on all or any portion of the Bonds, shall have been deposited in trust, this resolution shall be defeased and the owners of the Bonds shall have no further rights under this resolution except to receive payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds from the cash or securities deposited in trust and the interest and gains thereon and to transfer and exchange Bonds as provided herein. APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY. The issuance and sale of the Bonds shall be subject to the Township obtaining qualified status or prior approval from the Department of Treasury of the State of Michigan pursuant to Act 34 and, if necessary, the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized and directed to make application to the Department of Treasury for approval to issue and sell the Bonds as provided by the terms of this resolution and by Act 34. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized to pay any filing fees required in connection with obtaining qualified status or prior approval from the Department of Treasury. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is further authorized to request such waivers of the requirements of the Department of Treasury or Act 34 as the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor shall determine to be necessary or desirable in connection with the sale of the Bonds. SALE, ISSUANCE, DELIVERY, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE OF BONDS. The Bonds shall be sold pursuant to a negotiated sale in accordance with Act 34. It is hereby determined that such negotiated sale is in the best interests of the Township and is calculated to provide maximum flexibility in the pricing of the Bonds so as to achieve sufficient debt service savings with respect to the Prior Bonds and the lowest cost of borrowing funds for the Project. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized to negotiate a bond purchase agreement with Fifth Third Securities, Inc. and any co-managing or other underwriters to be selected by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor at or prior to the time of the sale of the Bonds (collectively, the "Underwriter"). Such bond purchase agreement shall set forth the principal amount, principal maturities and dates, interest rates and interest payment dates, redemption provisions and purchase price to be paid by the Underwriter with respect to the Bonds, as well as such other terms and provisions as the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with the sale of the Bonds. The Supervisor, the Clerk, the Treasurer, the Director of Finance and Budget and other appropriate officials of the Township are authorized to do all things necessary to effectuate the sale, issuance, delivery, transfer and exchange of the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this resolution. In making the determination in the order authorizing the sale of the Bonds and in the bond purchase agreement with respect to principal maturities and dates, interest rates, purchase price of the Bonds and compensation to be paid to the Underwriter, the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor shall be limited as follows: (a) The interest rate on any Bond shall not exceed 5% per annum. (b) The final maturity date of the Bonds shall not be later than April 1, 2027. (c) The Bonds shall be sold at a price not less than 97.50% of the par value of the Bonds. (d) The Underwriter's discount with respect to the Bonds shall not exceed 0.5% of the principal amount of the Bonds. REPLACEMENT OF BONDS. Upon receipt by the Supervisor of proof of ownership of an unmatured Bond, of satisfactory evidence that the Bond has been lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken and of security or indemnity that complies with applicable law and is satisfactory to the Supervisor, the Supervisor may authorize the bond registrar and paying agent to deliver a new executed Bond to replace the Bond lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken in compliance with applicable law. In the event an outstanding matured Bond is lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken, the Supervisor may authorize the bond registrar and paying agent to pay the Bond without presentation upon the receipt of the same documentation required for the delivery of a replacement Bond. The bond registrar and paying agent, for each new Bond delivered or paid without presentation as provided above, shall require the payment of expenses, including counsel fees, which may be incurred by the bond registrar and paying agent and the Township in the premises. Any Bond delivered pursuant to the provisions of this Section in lieu of any Bond lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken shall be of the same form and tenor and be secured in the same manner as the Bond in substitution for which such Bond was delivered. TAX COVENANT. The Township covenants to comply with all applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), necessary to assure that the interest on the Bonds will be and will remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The Supervisor, the Clerk, the Treasurer, the Director of Finance and Budget and other appropriate officials of the Township are authorized to do all things necessary (including the making of such covenants of the Township as shall be appropriate) to assure that the interest on the Bonds will be and will remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. NOT QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS. The Bonds are not designated as "Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations" as described in Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Code.. OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized to cause the preparation of an official statement for the Bonds for the purpose of enabling compliance with Rule 15c2-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Rule"), and to do all other things necessary to enable compliance with the Rule. After the award of the Bonds, the Township will provide copies of a "final official statement" (as defined in paragraph (e)(3) of the Rule) on a timely basis and in reasonable quantity as requested by the Underwriter to enable the Underwriter to comply with paragraph (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Township (i) a certificate of the Township to comply with the requirements for a continuing disclosure undertaking of the Township pursuant to subsection (b)(5) of the Rule and (ii) amendments to such certificate from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificate (the certificate and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate"). The Township hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. The remedies for any failure of the Township to comply with and carry out the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall be as set forth therein. BOND INSURANCE. The Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor is authorized and directed to take any actions that may be necessary or appropriate to purchase a policy or policies of municipal bond insurance with respect to the Bonds to the extent that the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor determines in the order approving the sale of the Bonds that the purchase of such municipal bond insurance is in the best interests of the Township. If the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor makes such a determination, the purchase of a policy or policies and the payment of premiums therefor and the execution by the Director of Finance and Budget or the Supervisor of any necessary commitments or other documents with respect thereto are hereby authorized. APPOINTMENTS. Dickinson Wright PLLC is hereby appointed to act as bond counsel and Bendzinski & Co., Municipal Finance Advisors is hereby appointed to act as registered municipal advisor with respect to the Bonds. CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they may be in conflict herewith are rescinded. RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED. YEAS: NAYS: ABSTENTIONS: STATE OF MICHIGAN))ss COUNTY OF WAYNE) I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan, held on the 12th day of April, 2016, the original of which resolution is on file in my office and is available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of the open meeting act. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this 13 day of April, 2016. Clerk, Charter Township of Canton **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** None **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneideman to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. _____ **Terry G. Bennett, Clerk**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Annual Crop Walk set

Six local churches will participate in the Wayne Westland Crop Walk planned for May 1.

The annual event, organized this year by Wayne First Congregational Church, is open to the public and the crowd will walk one mile from the church along Michigan Avenue to Elizabeth Street to Washington Park and along the river to Josephine Street. Walkers will then return to the church.

Participants are asked to obtain financial pledges prior to the event and individual donations are also accepted.

The community-wide event is sponsored by the Church World Service and is an effort to raise funds to end hunger in local communities and around the world. Funds earning this year will be shared with St. Mary's Bolde Center, Good Hope Lutheran Food Pantry, the Salvation Army and FISH. About 75 percent of the funds generated will go to Church World Service to aid efforts around the world.

Walkers can register beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the church, located at 2 Towne Square and the walkers will start off at 3 p.m.

Participating Wayne churches this year include First Congregational, First United Methodist and St. Mary Catholic Church. Westland churches participating are Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian and St. Richard's Catholic Church. Good Hope Lutheran Church in Garden City is also participating in the event this year.

For more information, contact Eileen Rowland, (734) 858-7535.

Mayor to study at Harvard

Westland Mayor William R. Wild has been chosen as one of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Taubman Fellows for 2016.

The Taubman Fellowship for Executive Excellence provides local public officials with demonstrated leadership an opportunity to learn effective approaches to public-sector problems. The fellowship takes place at The Harvard University Business School.

"This program is a once-in-a lifetime opportunity for local government leaders to broaden their perspectives by interacting with colleagues from around the world," said Robert S. Taubman, chairman, CEO, and president of Taubman Centers, Inc. "The experience truly enhances the way public officials serve the residents of Southeast Michigan."

Wild is currently serving his third term as full-time mayor of Westland, the 10th largest city in the state. He oversees a $60 million municipal operating budget and approximately 300 employees. Wild has successfully balanced seven consecutive budgets with a 10 percent surplus.

"My hope is to further develop my leadership and problem solving skills," commented Wild regarding the upcoming opportunity to study at Harvard University Business School in Boston. The classes will take place in July, although Wild does not yet have his complete schedule for the prestigious honor.

"It is my hope that this experience will also help me gain important insights from policy experts and scholars on a multitude of challenges and key issues that will help me better serve the residents of Westland," he said.

School offers 'Tuesday Tours'

St. Mary Catholic School in Wayne is hosting Tuesday Tour Days during the month of April.

Interested parents can drop in at the school from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. or call for an appointment to tour the school and meet teachers and the principal. St. Mary offers preschool 3-and 4-year-old programs and grades kindergarten through eighth grade classes.

St Mary Catholic School is located at 34516 Michigan Ave. in Wayne.

For more information, call (734) 721-1240 or access schooloffice@stmarywayne.org.

To subscribe to The Eagle call 734-467-1900.

End of an era

Workers from Dore and Associates Contracting began the demolition of the former Westland City Hall building on Ford Road last week. Demolition work was scheduled to begin at the Bailey Center when the city hall project was complete. Both buildings should be razed within 7-8 weeks, officials said. The former city hall building was constructed in 1964 and was replaced by the new city hall located at 36300 Warren Road in September of 2014. The Bailey Center served as the city recreation building but was closed in June of 2012. The city is currently marketing the 40-acre site for redevelopment.

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID
ITB 15/16-23 CEMETERY GATE AND ARCH
FOR THE ROMULUS MEMORIAL CEMETERY

(1) The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.
(2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid ***must use the forms provided by the City***. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN system @ http://www.mitn.info/.
(3) Two (2) copies of the bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, **May 10, 2016**. Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed using the Bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
(4) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.
(5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive irregularities.
(6) For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@ci.romulus.mi.us.

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CITY OF ROMULUS
Notice of Public Hearing and Proposed Projects Transfers
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Romulus is announcing its objectives and possible uses for projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and is scheduling a Public Hearing on ***Monday, May 2, 2016 at 6:00 pm*** for the purpose of receiving comments or suggestions regarding the transfer of funds from projects in FY13/14, FY14/15 and FY 15/16 to purchase property in a qualifying area where 70.99% of the population is low to moderate income, for the purpose of expanding a community park. These funds total $150,308.20.

The primary objectives of the Federal HUD CDBG program are to assist low to moderate income families directly or to provide benefits in areas where 51% of the residents are low to moderate income, such as replacing the urban infrastructure of streets, preserving deteriorating housing, improving recreational facilities and programs and assisting in meeting special needs of the elderly and physically disabled.

Pending transfer funding approval from Wayne County, the City proposes to carry out the following eligible activity with the respective estimated amounts.

OBJECTIVES:

A. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Persons
B. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income Limited Clientele (LMC) Persons
C. Addressing Slums and Blight or Low and Moderate Income Housing Benefit
D. Meeting a particularly urgent community development need

ACTIVITY	Proposed Project Amount:	* Objectives Met:
Transfer from Parks/Recreation Jobs FY 14/15	$73,312.03	
To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 14/15 Census Tract 5859, Block 2		A
Transfer from Parks/Recreation Jobs FY 15/16	$73,600	
To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 15/16 Census Tract 5859, Block 2		A
Transfer from Housing Rehab FY 13/14	$3,396.17	
To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 15/16 Census Tract 5859, Block 2		A
	$150,308.20	

The Public is invited to attend and comment during the Public Hearing or to make written comments on or before May 2, 2016. The City of Romulus will provide reasonable accommodations for those individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services. For further information, contact the Economic Development Department, City of Romulus, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, (734) 942-7545.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 4, 2016
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

1. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Choate** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-189 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 4, 2016. Ayes –Barden, Choate, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Abstain – Abdo, Makowski. **Motion Carried.**

3A. Petitioner:

Brian Biskner, Powell Engineering and Julie Allison from Goddard Associates spoke on behalf of Jack Cooper Transport and Goddard Associates to ask Council to consider two Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024; Jack Cooper Transport (Phase1) and SLU-2016-001; and Goddard Associates (Phase 2) for long term parking located at 29171 Goddard. Discussion: Councilman Wadsworth asked if this used to be Jet Way Parking. Mrs. Allison answered yes. Councilwoman Roscoe thanked Mr. Biskner and Mrs. Allison for making things clear at the last Planning Commission meeting regarding Phase 2, for long term parking.

16-190 Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Crout,** to approve the Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024 for Jack Cooper Transport and SLU-2016-001 for Goddard Associates. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Chairperson's Report:

Mr. Barden announced that there was a closed session meeting at 7:15 regarding Pending Legal Matters. Chair recognized Dan Hampton, Waiver Manager of The Senior Alliance, (TSA). Mr. Hampton gave an update on the purpose of The Senior Alliance, which is to connect individuals to available resources. They are best known for their Meals on Wheels program but offer many other services to older adults. TSA is asking each Municipality to provide a match amount to support the work they do in each community. Mr. Hampton reported that the match amount in 2015 for Romulus was $1,838.00, which helped TSA deliver the $765,000 in services spent for fiscal year 2015 in the City of Romulus. He thanked Romulus for their support and commented that TSA would be happy to take part in any events the City would like them to. For more information on any of the services TSA provides, they may be contacted by telephone at 1-800-815-1112, by email at info@tsalink.org or by going to their website at www.aaa1c.org.

Chair recognized Sylvia Makowski to make a motion.

16-191 4A1. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Wadsworth,** to approve the release of claim with Hastings Mutual Insurance Company and Ready-Rooter, LLC. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff reminded everyone that spring is here and opening day for the Tigers is this Friday, April 8th. Mayor Burcroff recognized Andy MacKay, General Manager of the Romulus Athletic Center. Andy gave an overview of the 2016 Mayors Fitness Challenge, which started on January 11 and ended on March 14th, for a period of nine weeks. He reported there were 193 participants who lost a combined weight of 875.5lbs. Andy announced the men and women's first, second and third place winners and presented them with a certificate. Mayor Burcroff announced that Romulus' Standard and Poor's bond rating has been upgraded to an A+. He will do a press release at a later date. Mayor Burcroff asked Dennis Davidson to give an update on upcoming events in the City of Romulus.

16-192 5A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Makowski,** to concur with the administration and award ITB15/16-19 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Blue Ribbon Contracting, Inc., to perform the needed repairs to the steel beam columns at fire station #4 in the amount of $19,193.00. Discussion: Councilwoman Abdo commented she is glad to award a bid to a local vendor. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-193 5B. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Crout,** to concur with the administration and award ITB 15/16-21to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, On Duty Gear, LLC, for the acquisition of thirteen LightHawk Tactical Vests and for the front and rear ballistic rifle plates needed for the vests for the Romulus Police Department, Special Response Team in the amount of $19,667.70. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-194 5C. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Abdo,** to concur with the administration and adopt the software and hardware upgrade to the existing Live Scan digital fingerprint computer, from I.D. Networks. This mandated upgrade is for a fingerprint scanner, CJIS supported software, and installation totaling $6,738.00. This equipment will ensure that the Romulus Police Department is compliant with State and Federal CJIS requirements. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-195 5C1. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Roscoe**, to concur with the administration and allow the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the five (5) year, full service agreement with I.D. Networks, for an annual fee of $2,447.00 to maintain the system until such time the equipment is replaced or funds are no longer budgeted for this purpose. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-196 5D. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo,** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint grant application for the Residential Target Analysis Grant for the DDA District, costs not to exceed $6,750. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-197 5E. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to allocate matching funds with MSHDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with four (4) other communities.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
Downtown Development Authority				
Expense				
295-728-818.002	Consultant Development	-	6,750	6,750
Fund Balance				
295-000-390.000	DDA Fund Balance	15,219	(6,750)	8,469

To allocate matching funds with MSHDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with 4 other communities. (Approved 3-30-16 resolution 16-DDA-544)

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg requested Council adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as the Chamber of Commerce 2016 Person-of-the-Year.

16-198 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Wadsworth,** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 15/16-18, Community Development Block Grant. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-199 6A2. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Choate,** to approve amendment to Ordinance Department fee schedule. The proposed amendment adds postage fees for certified mailings of weed cutting notices. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-200 6A2 (a). Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Makowski,** to adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as Chamber of Commerce 2016 Person-of-the-Year. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment:

A resident voiced a complaint to Council in regards to the Wolverine Pipeline Company cutting down trees on his property. He submitted to council pictures of his property before and after the trees were cut down, along with correspondence from the Wolverine Pipeline Company.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth reminded the public of the Bowl-a-Thon fundraiser for the Animal Shelter on Friday, May 13, 2016. He commented that they still have a few openings and are looking for volunteers or anyone who wants to donate a prize. All the proceeds go to the Animal Shelter.

9. New Business:

Councilwoman Abdo asked Council to adopt a resolution recognizing the High School FCCLA Program. The students recently competed on a State level and won numerous Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. They also qualified to send two students to the National Conference.

16-201 9A. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to adopt a resolution recognizing the achievements of the High School FCCLA Program. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

10. Communication:

Councilwoman Makowski announced that next week is National Library Week and encouraged everyone to stop in on Tuesday for National Library Staff Appreciation Day. For more information, contact the Library at 734-942-7589. Councilman Crout wished everyone that has a birthday in April, a happy birthday.

11. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 4, 2016.

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Northville - Plymouth

Board OKs contract for fireworks display

Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards has a big job ahead of him.

He is faced with the task of raising $34,500 for the annual fireworks display at the township 4th of July display, along with another $8,000 to $12,000 for the special viewing party for donors and special guests.

Despite heated and extensive criticism of the party from members of the audience, board members approved the awarding of the contract for the show to Zembelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co. of New Castle, PA, a company that has provided the display previously.

This year, the display will take place July 3 at Hilltop Golf Course and include more than 4,300 explosive devices. The company agreed to provide $10 million in insurance for the event, while the low bidder, Great Lakes Fireworks of Eastpointe which bid $29,000, could only provide $5 million in insurance, at least until June 25.

Trustee Bob Doroshewitz told the board members and assembled crowd that he did not think $100 million would be enough insurance to cover the display, should there be a serious mishap or disaster.

The contract was approved 6-1 vote with the dissenting vote cast by Trustee Chuck Curmi.

Most of the criticism from audience members was regarding the special viewing party to which Edwards invites from 600-700 donors, sponsors and political allies. That event usually costs from $8,000 to $12,000 and is a private, invitation only event which includes a meal and alcoholic drinks. Both Doroshewitz and Curmi objected to the private party and Doroshewitz, an attorney, said that serving alcohol presents a specific liability to the township. He criticized some of the spending for party items in the past that included orchid leis from Hawaii one year.

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Curmi said he would rather the township not solicit donations for the fireworks, the private party and the Good Old Fashioned Picnic the township hosts in the park annually on July 4. Curmi has suggested repeatedly that a community group or service club assume the sponsorship and organization of the events.

Edwards said that donors enjoy the party.

"I don't care what anybody says, you take the party out of it, you take the money out of it," Edwards said.

The board members also agreed by a 4-3 vote to allow the Plymouth-Canton Stars to charge $5 per vehicle for parking during the fireworks and party. This will be the third year the group, affiliated with the Special Olympics, has organized the parking. The group will split the parking fees, estimated at $6,000 by Edwards, with the township.

Doroshewitz, Curmi and Trustee Mike Kelly opposed the arrangement, suggesting that the group be allowed to keep all the parking revenue rather than split with the township. Supervisor Shannon Price, Edwards, Clerk Nancy Conzelman and Trustee Steve Mann cast the majority votes.

The Bluest Eye to remain in classes

Toni Morrison will stay in the Northville Public Schools.

Despite the protests of several parents, some who went so far as to label the 1970s novel, The Bluest Eye, as "pornographic," members of the board of education opted to follow the recommendation of a review committee and continue to use the novel in the Northville High School Advanced Placement English and Composition Course.

More than 30 parents, administrators, teachers and board members spoke at the meeting Tuesday night both defending and criticizing the novel.

The Bluest Eye is set to be assigned to students in the class this month. The book has been in use in the district English course since the early 1990s, but this year drew criticism from parents who questioned the depictions of racism, incest and child sexual molestation in the novel.

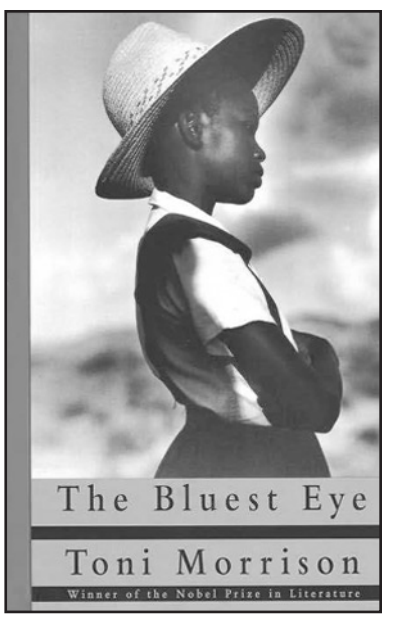
The book details the life of Pecola, a young black girl who feels inferior to whites because of her skin and eye color.

Parents filled the board meeting room at Hillside Middle School last week reiterating their concerns. Those concerns were recently addressed on the district website by Superintendent of Schools Mary Kay Gallagher who clarified the process the district follows whenever concerns about materials being used in classrooms are raised.

Because of the imminent assignment of the novel, and the concerns of parents, the district review process was expedited and moved to the third level of consideration last month. That included review by a committee comprising an administrator from the high school, the district media specialist, an elementary teacher, a parent, two English teachers, and the district Director of Instruction. Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Deanna Barash served as facilitator for the review of The Bluest Eye. The conclusion of the review committee suggested the continued use of book in the high school class. In addition, the committee noted that, as with all assignments, families with concerns have the option to request another literature selection.

Members of the school board reiterated the recommendation of the review committee which stressed the parental option to choose another book for students to complete the course requirements.

The other options are The Sound and the Fury by William Faulkner or selections from 50 Essays by Samuel Cohen.



1970s novel, The Bluest Eye.

Plymouth officials to discuss water rate hike at hearing

Plymouth officials will discuss a proposed water rate increase at a study session beginning at 6 p.m. April 25 at the city Department of Public Works building.

An increase of about 1.5 percent is being considered for all water customers in the city. The 18 cent increase would boost the cost to $11.52 for every 1,000 gallons of water used and the average user in the city would be billed about $219 every three months. The proposed increase, if approved by the members of the city commission, would become effective in July.

Water rates were last increased in the city in 2014.

The increase, officials said, is in response to anticipated increases from the Great Lakes Water Authority, which replaced the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and will now provide water to suburban customers. Other factors supporting the proposed increase are an increase in operating the Plymouth water system, officials said.

The public works building is located at 1231 Goldsmith, Plymouth, according to the city website.

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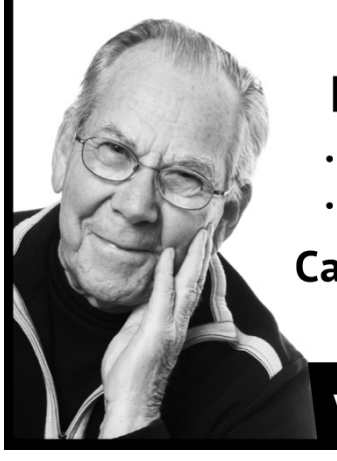


Wayne class reunion planned

Wayne Memorial High School all class reunion is being planned for 5-10 p.m. May 13. Information and registration forms are available at www.waynehighalumni.com regarding the dinner at Wayne Tree Manor, 35100 Van Born Road in Wayne.

This year, the class of 1966 will be honored along with all those who attended Wayne High School or Wayne Memorial High School. Dress is informal.

Tickets are $30 per person until May 1 and $40 if purchased after that date.

Information and registration forms available at www.waynehighalumni.com. There will be two forms, one for the all-class reunion May 13 and one for the 1966 50th class reunion May 14. Forms available under additional reunion heading.

Those attending both events need to submit both forms.

Belleville - Canton

Student wins prestigious hospital award

Delreesa Lyons is a woman who understands multi-tasking.

The single mother of five and a grandmother of two also works full time and is attending classes to achieve her paramedic certification at Wayne County Community College District.

While doing all that, the Canton Township resident was recently honored by the Henry Ford Health System in Wyandotte for her contributions to patient care and well-being, the first time the award has ever been presented to a student rather than a staff member.

Hospital officials noted that while the recognition awarded to Lyons is typically reserved for employees, Lyons' dedication was exceptional. Lyons, who is in her second semester in the paramedic program at WCCCD, agreed that like thousands of single parents nationwide, parenting, working fulltime, while also attending school is not an easy thing to do. It is a full-time job, but Lyons said she is up for the challenge.

Brandon Young, safety officer, EMS and Emergency Preparedness Program Coordinator at Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital (HFWH) and Lyons' supervisor, could not be more proud of her.

"The other week I received a card written to "Dell" (Delreesa Lyons), and the patient had nothing but incredible praise for the young lady. She made a tremendous impact on that patient and their family," Young said. "

Lyons said she was shocked to hear that she had been recognized, but her pride and dedication are evident in the glowing smile she wears every day.

"When I talked with my children about receiving the Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital award, they were just as surprised as I was, and they continued to encourage me to pursue my goals and trust in my abilities."

These abilities are far-reaching, as Lyons works fulltime as a Patient Care Technician at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in the Surgery Preparation Center and attends school full time at WCCCD as a paramedic student. She admits, "Balancing work life, school life, and parenting is extremely challenging." She had worked locally in the healthcare field for 12 years before going back to school in 2015, and the change has not been without its sacrifices for both Lyons and her children.

Besides work and keeping her grades at school, Lyons said she makes sure that she devotes time to her family. She has mastered the art of multi-tasking, she said, and remains committed to her children's personal well-being and academic success while setting a great example for them. "We all do our school assignment or study as a family and run errands together in order to get family time. There is also time for fun, though. I carve out a block of time during the weekend and do something my children want because they also have made a sacrifice so that I may attend school."

Lyons has demonstrated a commitment to teamwork that extends beyond her school assignments and job responsibilities, hospital officials noted.

"I explained to my children over a year ago that I was returning to school and that we all would have to sacrifice what we want in exchange for what we need and my children were very receptive," she added.

Anthony Arminiak, president of the Downriver Campus where the program is housed, said the Paramedic Program has consistently produced graduates who are not only knowledgeable about the policies, procedures, and algorithms necessary to treat a wide variety of acute and life threatening events. "But they are also adaptable and highly skilled at administering the appropriate treatments and operating the equipment necessary for life-saving resuscitation efforts prior to arriving at a hospital," said Arminiak, who also serves as Chief Academic Officer and Provost for the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE).

Brandon Young, EMS and Emergency Preparedness Program Coordinator at Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital, congratulates Canton resident Delreesa Lyons on her award.

"Some of the most important skills and qualities to have as a paramedic are the most difficult to attempt to teach - compassion, empathy, and the ability to establish a rapport with patients," Arminiak said of Lyons' award.

Lyons has embodied these characteristics and represents the type of student that WCCCD strives to develop, he added.

Canton police to participate in Drug Take Back Day

The Canton Police Department will join law enforcement units from across the county in the national effort of the Drug Enforcement Agency to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from homes.

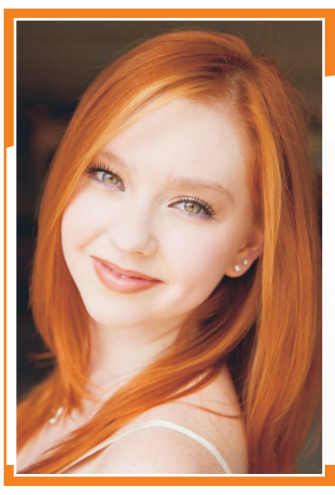
The local effort will continue from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. April 30 when unused or expired prescription medications can be placed in a drop box located in the lobby of the Canton Police Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Drop offs are free and anonymous, no questions will be asked, police officials said.

Liquids and needles will not be accepted and the prescription medications and drugs can only be accepted at the police department during the established hours.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue, according to national reports. Unused medicines in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

The usual methods of Americans for disposing of unused medicines-flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash-both pose potential safety and health hazards, the national agency said.

For more information, contact Community Relations Officer Patty Esselink at (734) 394-5194, or the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400.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Calendar of events

Ghosts walk in park

The popular Ghosts of Plymouth Walk is planned for Saturday, April 23 this year.

Visitors can hear tales of early Plymouth from characters such as merchant Calvin Crosby; photographer Romeo Wood; Sarah Fuller Shattuck, daughter of Michigan Anti-Slavery Society leaders and the fiery Carrie Nation, the temperance woman with an axe.

The walks begin at 5 p.m. and groups leave every 15 minutes, circling Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth to listen to the "ghosts". The walk lasts approximately 90 minutes and the last group will depart at 7 p.m. Participants should meet near the fountain in Kellogg Park.

Tickets are $10 per person ($5 for children under 10) if purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the museum's website (http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/Ghosts-of-Plymouth-Walk_ET38.html?SortBox=201504) using PayPal or at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth, from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Tickets are available at the park the day of the event for $15, $10 for children younger than 10.

Questions or more information are available at (734) 455-8940.

Clean Sweep Day in Romulus

The City of Romulus Annual Clean Sweep Day will take place Saturday, April 23. Waste Management co-sponsors the event.

Volunteers are welcome from all around the community to clean up litter and spruce up public spaces around the city.

No pre registration is necessary, volunteers need only show up at 9 a.m. at Romulus City Hall.

The event takes place rain or shine so volunteers should dress appropriately for the weather. All materials will be provided.

Romulus Eco-Fair set

The second Eco-Fair in Romulus will take place April 23. The exhibit will take place from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Romulus Athletic Center, 35765 Northline Road.

Local organizations will be on hand to distribute environmental information and giveaways. Groups present will include Waste Management, Huron-Clinton Metroparks, MSU Extension Office and others.

Concerned citizens meet

The next meeting of the Plymouth Concerned Citizens will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the Plymouth Library on Main Street.

John (Jack) Dempsey and Gary Heitman, candidates for Plymouth Township trustee, will be speaking. The meeting is open to the public at no charge.

Learn to bellydance

Introduction to Belly Dance classes will begin from 6:15-7:15 p.m. April 28 and continue on Thursdays through June 2.

This feminine dance combines light cardio with core strength and flexibility and includes hip accents, undulations and belly rolls, shimmies, and arm movements. Light choreography is involved.

No previous dance experience required. Recommended attire includes yoga/sweatpants or shorts and fitted top. This dance is traditionally performed barefoot but students may prefer no-slip socks/slipper or jazz shoes on the wood floor.

Classes recommended for those 15 and older. The fee is $75 or $60 for city of Plymouth residents.

Register at the recreation department, 525 Farmer,Plymouth, MI 48170

(734)455-6620.

Pottery sale

The Village Potters Guild members have planned their annual spring sale from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Friday April 29, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday April 30 and from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday May 1.

Functional and decorative pottery created by members of the guild will be available at the annual event. Tableware, tiles, jewelry and a wide range of decorative and framed pieces will be sold.

The studio is located at 326 N. Main St. in Plymouth. For more information or directions to the studio, visit www.villagepottersguild.org or call (734) 207-8807.

Unused drug disposal offered.

The federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Plymouth Township Police Department will coordinate efforts to remove potentially dangerous drugs from home from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30.

Residents can bring expired, unwanted and unused pharmaceuticals and other medication to law enforcement officers for the proper disposal.

The Police Department is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, just north of Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 354-3232.

Mom-to-Mom sale planned

Canton Leisure Services will host a Mom to Mom Sale from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. April 30 at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton.

More than 60 booths will be on site offering great deals on everything that is baby, child or maternity related, according to a prepared announcement. Moms will be selling gently used children's clothing and shoes, plus toys, books, DVDs/videos, baby gear, Halloween costumes, water and swim gear, and more. Bargain shoppers will also be able to find great deals on furniture, strollers, high chairs and more in the large item area.

Admission is $2 from 8 - 9 a.m. and $1 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. All sales are "cash only."

For more information, contact the Summit on the Park front desk at (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

Spring Clean-up set

The 2016 Spring Clean Up in the City of Plymouth is planned for Saturday, May 7.

The annual clean up will take place in all areas of the city. Residents should have all items at the curb for pick up by 7 a.m. Officials have cautioned residents, however, not to place at the curb more than 24 hours in advance of the scheduled pick up.

Additional information regarding Spring Clean Up Day can be found at [http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/index.aspx?nid=1069]

Spring Clean Up Day is for large items and bagged and canned trash only.

Automated trash carts, automated recycling carts and compost/yard waste will not be picked up May 7. For questions or more information, contact the city municipal services office at 734) 453-7737.

Grief recovery seminar offered

A grief-recovery seminar and support group will meet at Romulus Wesleyan Church in Romulus at 6 p.m. each Thursday. The church is located at 37300 Goddard at Huron River Drive.

GriefShare features nationally recognized experts on grief and recovery topics. The 13 video sessions include "When Your Dreams Fall Apart," "The Seasons of Grief," "Emotions of Grief," "When Your Spouse Dies," "Your Family and Grief," "Growing Through Grief," and more.

Participants can attend any or all sessions.

The $15 registration includes a workbook/journal and weekly handouts.

More information is available by calling the church at (734) 941-1511 or on the web at www.griefshare.org.

Mother-Son dances set

Celebrate Mother's Day in a special way. Moms, aunts, grandmothers and more are welcome for an evening of dancing and memory-making at the annual Mother Son Dances in Canton Township from 6:30-8:30 p.m. May 5 and May 6.

Light refreshments and the popular balloon-drop finale are included in the $9.25 admission fee.

Souvenir photos will be available for an additional cost at the dance. Semi-formal, dressy-casual attire recommended. All ages require a ticket.

Last day to purchase a ticket is April 29. Tickets will only be sold at Summit on the Park Front Desk, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The dances will take place in the Summit Grand Ballroom.

For more information, call (734) 394-5376.

Champions host run

The Champions of Wayne Memorial High School program will host a 5K run/walk on Friday, May 6 at Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth Street, Wayne.

Registration starts at 4:30 p.m. and the race begins at 6 p.m.

Cost to participate is $20 and includes a t-shirt

Registration can be completed at https://payableform.appspot.com/forms/pdjn0

The Champions of Wayne program is an educational incentive program that includes mentoring, setting academic goals and financial rewards. The Champions program creates an opportunity for Wayne Memorial High School students to earn a $200 award if they reach a customized academic goal. Students choose a staff member as their mentor and for one semester, they create and work toward an academic goal. The program is funded by The Helppie Charitable Foundation.

For more information on the Champions program or 5K event, contact Dr. Sean Galvin at Galvins@wwcsd.net.

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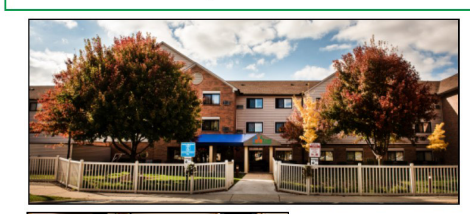
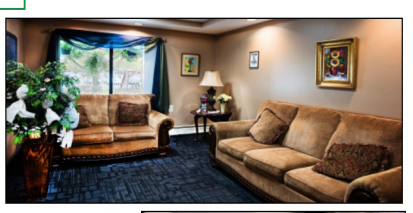

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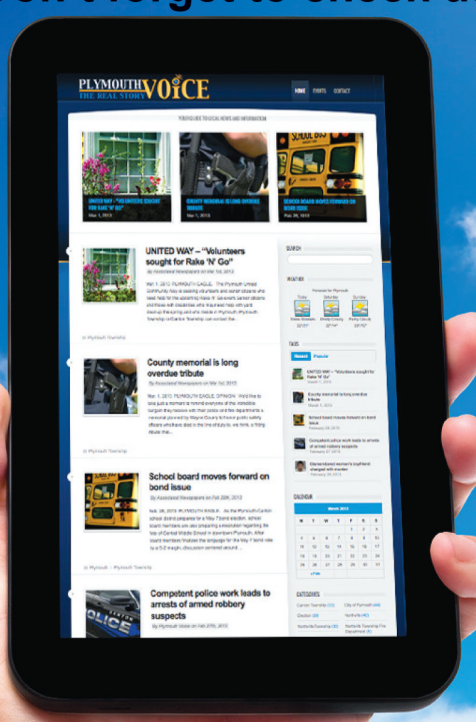
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